



PATIENT

Jet Braddock

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Mixed

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

12/03/2017

WEIGHT

55 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Recent history: a few days of vomiting and diarrhea

Medical Hx: Hematochezia: dietary indiscretion vs colitis vs ulcer vs other. Suspected pyoderma
CBC shows hematocrit of 65%. Creatinine 1.6.
Current Medications: Injections PRN, Heartgard Q 30 days, Nexgard Q 30 days

(Note re. patient name: Wife's last name is "Reilly." The husband's last name is "Braddock").

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder** is mildly distended with anechoic urine. The wall is of appropriate thickness for the level of repletion. The mucosal surface is slightly irregular. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the visible portion of the proximal urethra are normal.

The **prostate** is normal in size (0.74 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

The **left kidney** is normal size (6.36 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The **right kidney** is normal size (7.12 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The **left adrenal gland** is normal size (0.54 cm at cranial pole) (0.60 cm at caudal pole) (2.36 cm in length); normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The **right adrenal gland** is normal size (0.99 cm at cranial pole) (0.57 cm at caudal pole); normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The **spleen** is subjectively prominent in size (2.87 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a folded contour and normal curvilinear peripheral margins. The parenchyma is homogenous. No focal lesions are observed. Splenic vasculature is normal with no evidence of thrombosis.

Liver

The **liver** is subjectively normal in size with normal contours and structure. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative, or regenerative pathology is evident. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed. The portal vein to caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1: 1.

The **gall bladder** is of normal contours and contains some dependent echogenic debris. The wall is



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normal in thickness. No choleliths are observed. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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Gastrointestinal

The **gastric lumen** is mildly distended with echogenic liquid. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is segmentally gas distended. The small intestinal wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. The colonic lumen is empty. There is no obvious evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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Pancreas

The region of the **pancreas** is isoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No obvious parenchymal abnormalities are observed. There is no evidence of regional inflammation or effusion.

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Free Abdomen

There is no evidence of free fluid. Several prominent **lymph nodes** are observed in the mid to caudal abdomen, the largest measuring 2.50 cm in length.

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A **brief echocardiogram** reveals no evidence of pericardial effusion or obvious right atrial/auricular mass.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

- The splenic parenchymal changes are most consistent with a benign process such as lymphoid hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, splenitis or antigenic stimulation with a lower possibility of infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma, mast cell neoplasia).
- The prominent abdominal lymph nodes are most consistent with reactive lymphadenitis or lymphoid hyperplasia. Neoplastic infiltration is considered less likely.

*An obvious cause for the patient's clinical signs is not identified in this study. Considerations include primary gastrointestinal disease (i.e., dietary indiscretion, infectious/parasitic disease, food allergy/intolerance, inflammatory bowel disease), underlying metabolic issue (i.e., hypoadrenocorticism), mild pancreatitis, other.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

A fecal evaluation for ova and Giardia is recommended.

Consider prophylactic deworming with Fenbendazole.

Symptomatic care for acute gastroenteritis is also recommended, including fluid therapy, gastric protectants, antiemetics and a probiotic with a high colony count (i.e., Provable Forte or Visbiome). If the patient's clinical signs are persistent or become chronic, a more advanced GI work-up (i.e., hypoallergenic or hydrolyzed protein diet trial, GI panel (serum cobalamin and folate, TLI and PLI (send to Texas A&M), resting cortisol level +/- GI biopsies may be warranted.

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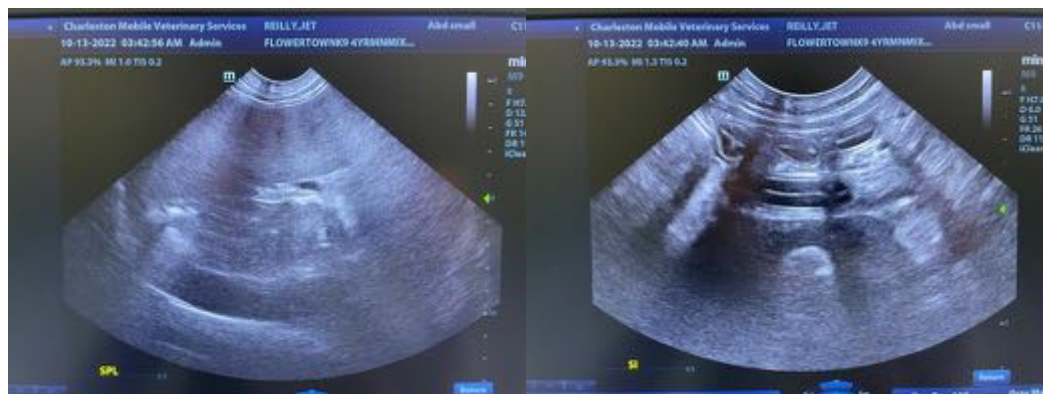
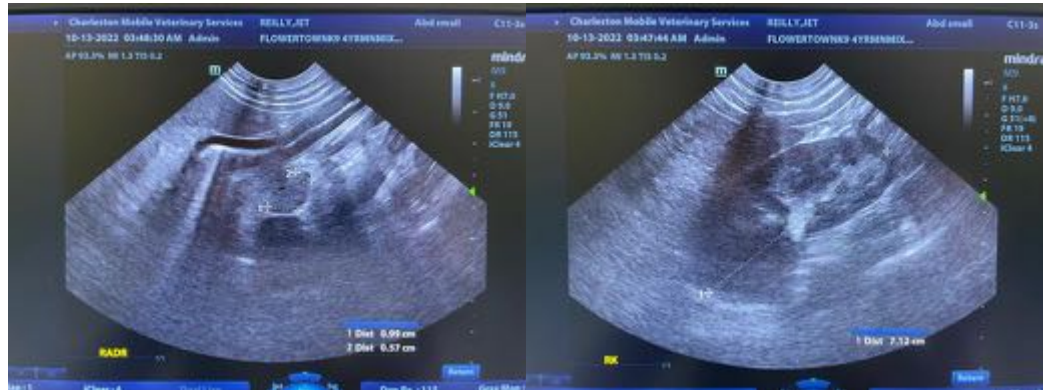
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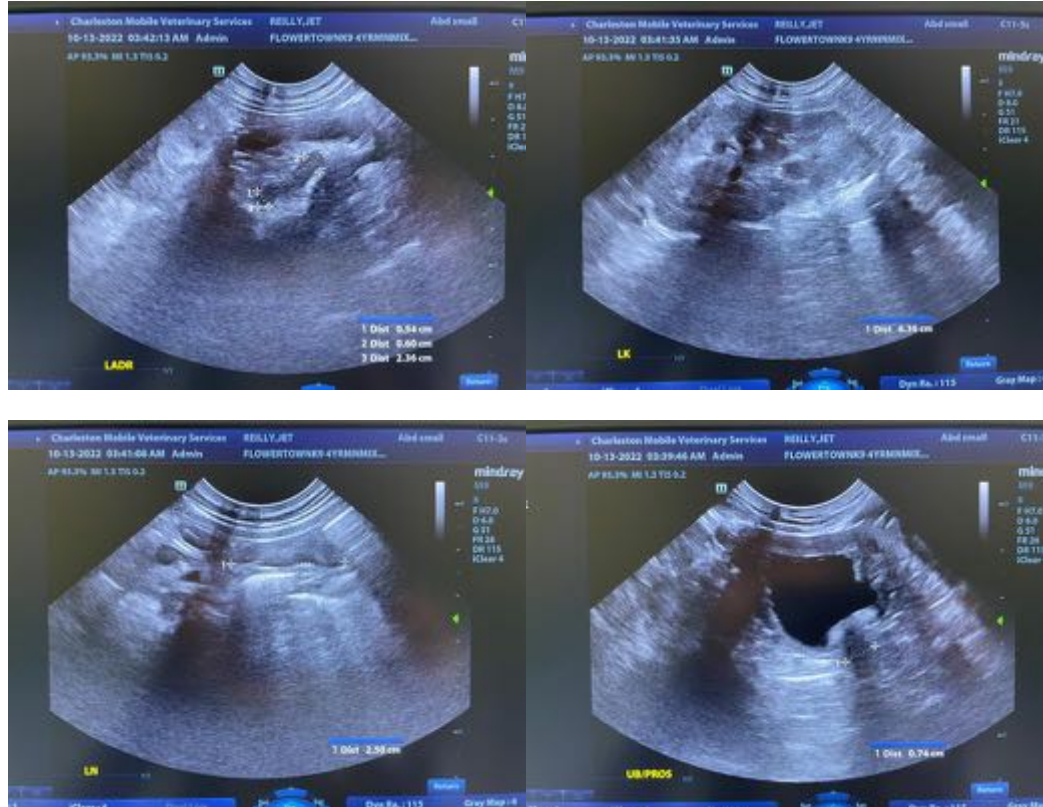
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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